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Re: New U.S. Patent Application of **Stefan HAHN and Christian Friedrich TOEPFER**
Entitled: **FREE SPACE MONITORING SYSTEM FOR MOTOR VEHICLES**
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Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including the German language specification, claims, and abstract, nine (9) sheets of formal drawings (color figures are also being provided for the convenience of the Examiner), English language translation, Preliminary Amendment, Declaration and Power of Attorney and certified copy of the German Application No.: 103 17 044.8.

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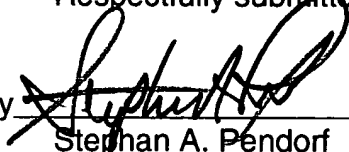
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Priority is claimed from April 11, 2003, based on German Patent Application No. 103 17 044.8.

Respectfully submitted,

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